

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:175
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2002
CBI INVESTIGATION AGAINST OFFICERS
SHANKERSINH VAGHELA;SUSHIL KUMAR INDORA

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 5396 on December 22, 2000 regarding irregularities in Doordarshan and state:

- (a) whether the CBI has since completed its investigation and conveyed the result to the Government and/or the Prasar Bharati;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the action taken by the Government and/or the Prasar Bharati thereon;
- (d) whether the CBI has further conducted investigations into the charges of corruption and other irregularities levelled against several higher officials during the last three years;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken to bring transparency and accountability in the I&B to check accumulation of wealth by officers disproportionate to their known sources of income?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT.SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (f) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 175 FOR ANSWER ON 14.03.2002

(a), (b) & (c) : Out of five cases registered by the CBI in this connection, investigation reports in respect of four cases have been received. The Government has accepted the recommendations of the CBI in these cases and the same shall be forwarded to the Central Vigilance Commission. Investigation report in respect of the fifth case is awaited.

(d) & (e) : In addition to the above, CBI has conducted investigations into the charges of corruption and other irregularities in 23 other cases, against Group 'A' officers of Prasar Bharati. Details of cases are annexed.

(f) : The following steps have been taken:

(i) Vigilance set-up of Prasar Bharati is being strengthened and a separate CVO has been appointed.

(ii) System of procurement of programmes and purchases have been streamlined and publicized.

(iii) Programmes are procured through open/transparent procedures.

(iv) 'List of officers of Doubtful integrity' and 'Agreed List' have been prepared in consultation with CBI.

(v) The appointment of Vigilance Officers in the Media Units, is being processed.

(vi) The Vigilance work in the Media Units is regularly reviewed by the Chief Vigilance Officer of Ministry of I&B.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (d) & (e) OF THE STATEMENT PERTAINING TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 175 FOR ANSWER ON 14.03.2002.

1. RC.9/1999-Cochin dt. 1.5.99 One
2. PE.19(A)/99-Delhi dt. 11.8.1999 One
3. RC.9(A)/1999-Jodhpur dt. 12.8.1999 One identified officer plus others
4. PE.7(A)/99-Delhi dated 13.3.99 One
5. RC.38(A)/99-Delhi dt. 10.8.99 One identified officer plus others
6. RC.12/1999-Dhanbad dt. 7.12.1999 Two identified officers plus others
- 7 PE.9/1999-Shillong dt.26.10.99 One
8. RC.5(A)/2000-JPR dt. 5.5.00 Three
9. RC.6/2000-Jodhpur dt. 29.4.2000 One identified officer plus others
10. RC.10(A)/2000-BLR dt. 12.5.00 Five
11. RC.68(A)/2000-Delhi dt. 4.12.2000 One identified officer plus others
12. RC.69(A)/2000-Delhi dt. 4.12.2000 One identified officer plus others
13. RC.71(A)/2000-Delhi dt. 14.12.2000 One identified officer plus others
14. PE.12/2000-Shillong dt. 1.8.2000 One
15. PE.1/2001-/ACU.IV/Delhi. dt.12.2.2001 Four
16. RC.34(A)/2001-Bangalore dt. 21.12.2001. One identified officer plus others
17. PE.5/2001-Cochin dt. 20.8.2001 One
18. PE.3(A)/2001-Jaipur dt.16.1.2001 Five
19. RC.19(A)/2001- Kolkata dt.8.1.2001 Three
20. RC.23(A)/2001- Kolkata dt.20.1.2001 One
21. RC.10(A)/2001-Patna dt. 10.8.2001 One
22. RC.1/2002-SIC.III/Delhi dt.4.1.2002 Two
23. RC.1/2002-Silchar dt. 21.1.2002 Two identified officers plus others